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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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- ☐ design
- ☐ supplemental
- ☒ national stage of PCT
- ☐ divisional
- ☐ continuation
- ☐ continuation-in-part (CIP)

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I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed for and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto
- ☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_, as  
Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)
- ☒ was described and claimed in PCT International application  
No. PCT/GB 99/00260 filed on 26 December 1999  
and as amended under PCT Article 34 on  
(if any).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any Amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

[ ] In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or 365 (b), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) or any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

[ ] no such applications have been filed  
[X] such applications have been filed as follows:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

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(Number)	(Country)	(day/month/year filed)	Yes No

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(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(patented, pending, abandoned)
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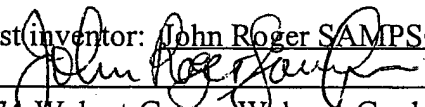
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